

# DRAFT MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION



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**Project Title:** Vincent Well Foundation Stabilization Project

**State Clearinghouse Number:**

**Project Location:** The Vincent Well is located within the low-flow channel of Cajon Creek, at approximately 17230 Cajon Blvd, San Bernardino, CA 92407, west of Interstate 15 (I-15) and Cajon Boulevard, within the Cajon Wash, approximately 2 miles northwest (upstream) of the I-15/I-215 interchange, in the City of San Bernardino, California at approximately 34.240102 latitude and -117.440237 longitude. The well and well house are situated at approximately 2,309 feet mean sea level (msl).

**Project Description:** The City of San Bernardino Municipal Water Department (Department) is proposing to fortify the slope surrounding the Vincent Well infrastructure by installing gabion baskets within the subsurface adjacent to the well, in a horseshoe shape encompassing approximately 0.38 acre. The well and well house are situated at approximately 2,309 feet mean sea level (msl), slightly above the low flow channel in Cajon Wash. Significant storm flows over the past several years have damaged the slope around the well house. Rip rap was placed in 2017 to protect it from future storms, however, a permanent solution is required. The proposed construction area is anticipated to be approximately 600 feet long by 600 feet wide, or approximately 8 acres, but the direct work will occur within approximately 20 feet of the existing well. Equipment staging and material storage will be located in a designated approximately 2-acre area out of the creek approximately 1,700 feet northeast of the well construction site. The Project improvements will face north, to prevent the erosion as the water in the wash travels south, downstream. Access to the proposed Project site will be via an existing graded, unimproved access road that provides access from the west side of Cajon Boulevard through the wash, to the Vincent Well.

**Finding:** The City of San Bernardino's decision to implement this proposed project is a discretionary decision or "project" that requires evaluation under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). Based on the information in the project Initial Study, District has made a determination that a Mitigated Negative Declaration is be the appropriate environmental determination for this project to comply with CEQA.

**Initial Study:** The Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration was distributed for public review on \_\_\_\_\_ through the State Clearinghouse initiating a 30-day public review period that ended on \_\_\_\_\_. The document was also made on the City of San Bernardino Municipal Water Department website.

**Mitigation Measures:** All mitigation measures identified in the Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration are summarized and are proposed for adoption as conditions of the project. These measures will be implemented through a Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program as part of the adoption of the Mitigated Negative Declaration/Initial Study.

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